(d) policy decision taken/under consideration for exploitation of coal resources through private/foreign investment and details thereof; and

(e) what steps have been taken to appoint Chairman of Coal India on a regular basis and since when the officiating arrangement is continuing affecting decision making process and administration significantly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) Company-wise Plan outlay and source of funding including for major projects for the year 1995-96 is given below:—

(Rs. in crores)

	Coal India Ltd	Singareni Collieries Co., Ltd.
Internal Resources	912.02	394.00
Bonds	400.00	..
Suppleirs Credit	56.98	..
Addl. Resource Mobilisation	650.00	100.00
External aid through budget	41.00	22.00
Net budgetary support	200.00	..
Total Outlay	2260.00	516.00

The production target for CIL and SCCL for 1995-96 is 241.00 million tonnes and 28.00 million tonnes respectively.

(b) and (c) As a conscious policy, Govt. have been reducing budget support to public sector undertakings. The coal companies are being encouraged to improve internal resource generation by reducing costs, improving efficiency and better capacity utilisation. The coal companies are approaching national and international financial institutions for mobilising resources to meet the plan outlays. Private sector is also being encouraged to invest in coal mining.

(d) Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973 has been amended to allow private sector participation in coal mining. This amendment enables companies engaged in power geeration, and such other end uses as may be notified by Govt. from time to time, to carry out coal mining. This is in addition to the existng provision enabling companies engaged in the production of iron and steel to carry out coal mining.

(e) Proposal for appointment of a regular chairman in Coal India Limited has been processed and appointment will be made in due course. This interim arrangement has been made with effect from 1-1-1995 for the smooth functioning of the company.

Mismanagement in Coal India Limited

7597. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state: (a) whether Government are aware that rampant corruption, over reporting, coal pilferage and extravagance over the past few years have pushed the Coal India Limited on the brink of collapse and if so, what are the details of remedial steps taken during the last three years and with what results and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the present Chairman designate has taken some strict financial measures for econo-

my purpose which has caused panic amongst the coal Mafia as well as the coal executives close to Mafia who are strongly opposing his continuance on the present post and if so, the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) No, Sir. The financial position of the CIL and its subsidiaries is improving. Durrng 1992-93 and 1993-94, CIL and its subsidiaries together earned a profit of Rs. 291.27 crores and Rs. 400.32 crores respectively.

(b) The acting Chairman of CIL has taken several measures for further improvement in the financial performance of the company.

Demand of Coal in Rajasthan and Orissa

7598. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COAL is pleased to state: (a) What is the projected demand for coal in the country during current year as on 30.4.1995 as well as by the end of the Eighth Five Year Plan period particularly in Rajasthan and Orissa;

(b) whether Government have chalked out any special schemes/plans to meet this demand particularly by Coal India Ltd.;

(c) if so, the details thereof in the country including major projects under implementation till date by CIL in indicating budgetary support for 1995-96 out of the Plan outlay for CIL, if any as well as interests subsidy, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether any provision during 1995-96 made for Research Schemes of Science and Technology on Coal and for schemes operated with UNDP or World Bank assistance particularly in Rajasthan and Orissa with details thereof,

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) Demand of coal is not assessed state-wise. The demand is assessed industry/sector-wise for the whole country. All India projected demand of coal for the year 1995-96 and by the end of Eight Five Year Plan is 288 million tonnes and 311 million tonnes respectively.

(b) and (c) The above demand will be met from following sources:—

(in million tonnes)

Source	1995-96	1996-97
Coal India Ltd.	241.00	263.60
Singareni Collieries Company Ltd.	28.00	30.20
Others	5.50	6.20
Total	274.50	300.00
Draw down of stocks	7.50	5.00
Import	6.00	6.00
Total :	288.00	311.00